

MINUTES

Spokane Enological Society Board Meetings

November 8, 2021 | 7:00 pm | Meeting called to order by Claudia Hersey

In Attendance

List attendees: M. Achey, C. Cortright, C. Cortright, David DeNio, Dionne, DeNio, K. Goodwin, MA Goodwin, T. Gross, M. Gross, D. Hanson, R. Henspeter, P. Hersey, C. Hersey, B. Kogler, M. Plewman, K. Wedel, J. Wende

Absent: M. Henspeter, E. Hoffman

Non-Voting: D. Austin, D. Whipple

Absent: E. Roberts, C. Rimpila, J. Snow

Quorum? Yes

Approval of Minutes

- October 11, 2021 Minutes: Correction to minutes requested, correcting the names of the Extra Special Event winery from *Bridgeport* Winery to *Bridgepress* Winery. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as corrected. Motion carried and minutes approved.

Discussion Item: Training Session for New Pourers

- After the meeting, a bottle pouring training session is being offered to the new pourers scheduled to work at the November 2021 tasting.

Treasurer's Report: Kyle Goodwin

- \$2.34/person profit was realized at the October Virtual tasting.
- Revenue = \$7,456.60 for the 2021-22 year.
- Member fees have been collected from 180 members in 2021-2022.
- Need to begin discussing Administrative Costs budget in January so it can be finalized in February in order to set the 2022-2023 budget appropriately.

Membership Report: Deb Austin

- Members who sign-up on the SES website can only enter one name under the "couples" registration option. This means the second person does not have a name entered on the membership list. Deb updates the membership list manually and adds the names of the second member manually. The club currently has 181 members, but only 180 are "named" members. President Claudia will follow-up with webmaster Charlie to see if the website can be updated to include a second member's name when couples register.
- November tasting: 83 members have sign-up for the event and registration is closed.
- Six new members have joined SES since October. Nine new name badges have been ordered.

Tasting Programs Support: Paul Hersey | Dave Whipple

- Paul shared the November tasting budget. The tasting fee is \$30 and covers all tasting-related expenses, including flute glass rental, food, and wine costs.
 - Will only pour 1 to 1.5 oz. per glass as there will be an extra pour for guests waiting in line to have their COVID-19 Vax cards reviewed.
 - Food costs are estimated to be \$200 - \$250.
- COVID Cards and ID will be checked before guests are able to enter the Center lobby. Once they enter, they will be provided with a flute of sparkling wine. Guest are invited to enjoy the sample while waiting to check in.
- Four (and occasionally five related) guests will be seated at tables. There will be a total of 21 tables.
- January Tasting Event: [Liberty Lake Wine Cellars](#) is the featured winery for the January tasting.

Special Events: Eve Roberts

- Food and wine have been selected for the Holiday Dinner. Eva will provide deserts at cost from Just American Deserts at \$1.28 / person. Food costs, including desert is \$64.50 / person. Wines have not been priced yet. The Spokane Club may or may not charge SES for the event space but will for the microphone/podium \$80.
- Do we want to include a charge to cover the costs of the wine bottles given as gifts? There are 170+ bottles in inventory so no new bottles will need to be purchased for the Holiday Dinner. A preliminary decision was made to not charge more for the gift bottles as they were paid for at previous tasting events.
- COVID-19 protocols are in place at the Spokane Club and the room capacity for the Holiday dinner will be based on the protocols.

Extra Special Events: Deby Hanson

- No Report.

Food Committee: Barb Kogler | Jody Wende

- Set up for the November tasting starts at 6:00 p.m. The food committee would like help plating the food.
- Dave Whipple noted that Board members are responsible for hosting tasting event; Board members are expected to help set-up, pour, and clean-up after the tasting events.

Glasses | Linens | Swag Bags, etc.: Dionne DeNio

- Two new members are coming to the November tasting and Dionne will make sure they are given swag bags.

Membership Recognition: Dionne DeNio

- No report.

Education Director: Dr. Jeffrey Snow

- No report.

AV & ZOOM/Internal Audit: Terry Gross

- No report

Vice President Report: Kris Wedel

- No report

Website: Charlie Rimpila

- Charlie is updating the website to include minutes, financials, and other articles of interest.

Wineminder: Claudia Hersey

- Terry Gross was asked to write a music column for the December 2021 *Wineminder*.
- The December 2021 *Wineminder* is scheduled to be published the week of November 15, 2021.

Other Business

- President Claudia noted that SES Business cards are available for distribution.

Next Meeting

December 6, 2021 | 7:00 p.m. | Zoom and the Southside Community Center

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:10 p.m. and passed unanimously.

Minutes Respectfully submitted, Mary Ann Lund Goodwin, SES Secretary